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1591

Art Ass<sup>n</sup>

Columbus.

13 May /79

15 May /79

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Photos will be  
ackg<sup>d</sup>

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May 10 Columbus. 19. June. 1879.

Mr MacLeod

Sir.

Being thus pro-  
tracted as before, the photo-  
graphs of the Art Works  
in the Corcoran Gallery  
which came to me as  
President of the Librarian  
Art Association, remained  
unopened, & having been  
too ill <sup>to open them</sup> to attend (The only  
meeting of the Association  
the [?] gift has not  
yet been presented to it.



Ellis. T. D.,

1592

Chicago Ill

May 13/79,

May 13/79

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With regard to a  
portrait of Harrison.

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Refr by Bd of T. At Court on Aug.  
9/79

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Recd. May 15.

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Honore Building, Chicago,

May 13, 1879.

William Mac Leod, Esq.

Curator, Corcoran Gallery of Art,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for the kind  
terms in which you acknowledge for Mr. Corcoran  
my late letter to him on the subject of General  
Harrison's portrait. The portrait which I  
possess, and which I designated as of Cabinet  
size, is, I judge by the eye, 10 x 12 inches within  
the frame. My view in the beginning was  
that a competent artist might enlarge it, per-  
haps using the photograph for that purpose,  
so as to make the copy conform to the size of the  
other portraits of the collection; but recognizing  
that a different arrangement would be better, I  
beg now to inform you that my brother-in-law  
Col. William H. Taylor, who married the young-  
est daughter of General Harrison, has an original



portrait, life size, painted for him, by ~~him~~  
of Cincinnati I think, and if I mistake not,  
painted after the General's election to the presidency.  
Though I have not communicated with Col. Taylor  
on the subject, I have no doubt of his willing-  
ness to place his original at your disposal for  
the purpose of having it copied for the Corcoran  
Gallery if you so request. Col. Taylor was  
one of General Harrison's private Secretaries  
during the brief term of the General's presidency;  
he was afterwards, Post-master of the City of  
Cincinnati under Mr. Tyler's administration.  
He is now State Librarian of the State of  
Minnesota; his Post-office address is St.  
Paul, Minn., Mr. Arnold, to whom  
I alluded, is not a resident of Washington,  
but one of the most prominent and respected citizens  
of Chicago; he is president of the Chicago  
Historical Society, was formerly a member of  
Congress, an intimate friend and the biographer  
of Mr. Lincoln, and at one time held the  
position, I think, of Sixth Auditor of the Treasury.  
By my letter I assumed that Mr. Corcoran knew him.  
I have myself the pleasure to know Mr. Conway  
Robinson, Mr. William A. Maury, and

Judge Lambert Tree, all now of Washington.  
Mr. Beverly Tucker, boarding at the New-York  
Avenue Hotel, is my brother-in-law. I also  
know very well Mr. Corcoran's friend Judge  
Culd of Richmond.

Very respectfully,  
Yours,

Thomas H. Ellis,



June 9/79 -

Read & referred  
to the Com. on the  
anti power to act.  
in its discretion in  
the matter of subsidiz-  
ing the purchase of  
Harrison to the  
Collection of Prisons

Lemmon

1893.

May 15/79.

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To paint & reception  
-tion rooms for \$14.

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Mr. Leeson proposes to calcimine  
the ceilings of the 2 rooms, and paint  
them both, & stain & oil the floor  
of the reception room for Twenty  
dollars. Please let him do it.

May 15/79  
atyp  
h/c

Mr MacLeod)

Walters H. J.

1594,

Balt. May 24/79

May <sup>25</sup> 27/79,

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Asks for list of Casts,  
with prices, also  
list Pinchard sent,  
with prices,

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Recd May 25<sup>th</sup>  
Act. 27

1594

Balto 24<sup>th</sup> May 79

Mr W MacIsaac

I am ordering  
casts for the Peabody and  
am anxious to avoid  
the error of committing  
the duplicates — will you  
be kind enough to give  
the names to me of the  
Statues we were unfortunate  
— not shown in this respect  
and from whom we got  
them — will you be



good enough also to  
send me a complete  
list of the things Mr  
Winchell sent from  
home and the prices  
he paid for each -

Your attention  
and this request will  
oblige me very much,

Will you please send  
me also one of your  
Catalogues -

Yours truly  
W. J. Walter

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1595

45-47 Exchange Place  
N. Y. May 24/79

May 26/79,

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Portrait of Thore Walden  
by Rembrandt Peale.

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Recd &  
Purchase declined

Recd May 26/79

Act

27 45 & 47 Exchange Place  
N. Y.  
24<sup>th</sup> May 1879

My Dear Sir

The portrait of Thos. Watson  
by Rembrandt Peale, of which  
some time ago I sent you  
a Photograph, is now here.  
It can be seen at Mr. Christy's  
180 Fifth Avenue, between  
22<sup>d</sup> & 23<sup>d</sup> streets. The price  
asked for it is five hundred  
dollars. This picture was, as  
I told you, the property of the  
late Hon. Jas. Sumner, who  
sold it to the present owner.

Have you any idea that the  
Cassan Gallery would like  
to purchase, - if not, do you



happen to know any one, who  
may desire to acquire it.

I may mention, that Genl.  
Cesata has been appointed  
Director of the Prob. Museum  
of Ark., - information given to  
Mr. Hutchins, and myself that  
we should be "disbursed" with, on  
the 1<sup>st</sup> July next.

He has since resigned (his  
resignation accepted), - I remain,  
acting for the Treasurer, until  
the above mentioned date.

I shall hope, nevertheless, to  
have the pleasure of seeing you  
when you visit New York.

I am, my dear lady,  
Yours Very Truly  
Wm. Blandy

W. MacLeod

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1596

Columbus May 23/79

May 26/79,

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Recd. May 26.



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Yung Tsai Shih.

Chinese Legation,

May 26. 1879 —

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Wishes some Photos  
sent to select from,

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May 26/79

1597

Chinese Legation  
Monday

The Manager of the Corcoran Gallery  
Sir,

Please send me some of  
the photographic views of those  
statues and pictures in landscapes,  
and mark the price on them as  
I want to make a selection.

Yours truly  
Tsai Sih Yung

They took.  
Farm & Temple  
Dome at Ford.  
Mt Corcoran  
Oleir Presumption.  
Temple of Satyr.  
Venus Group.  
Venus by J.



The following pictures are  
retained

7.	large size	at 75¢ each	5.25
2.	Middle "	" 50¢ "	1.00
1	Small "	" 25¢ "	25
			<hr/> \$ 6.50

Stovey E. Jr.

1598

Phil<sup>a</sup> May 26/79

May 27/79

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Sends set of Heliographs  
Hopes to send some photo  
in glaci style soon.

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Recd. Mch  
May 27/79

1595  
Arch St Phil  
May 26, 1879

Dr Sir

My with enclosed letter  
begs to accept my thanks,  
I have sent you in this  
mail 3 Cases, each  
of the British Building  
and the Penna State  
Building in Favour of  
P&R - you will please  
accept one set for  
yourself. One set  
please deposit in  
the Collection of the  
Corcoran Gallery of Art  
with my Compliments



done out to the Dr  
Whom I met at  
the Gallery when in  
Nash<sup>n</sup> while you were  
sick with camp fever  
to these are the only  
Remnants of Port  
(from photo negs) ever  
made of these 2 Port-  
lands, hence they have  
a value to those who own  
or may see them. They  
were made before the  
glacé effect was in-  
vented = I hope to be

able to send you some  
beautiful things in the  
latest glacé style soon. I  
shall in a day or two write in  
regard to the Italian

Respectfully  
E. J. Honey

Lucas Oliver

1599

Louisville

May 26/79

May 28/79,

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With regard to the  
Portrait of Rust Harrison  
by Johnston,

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Declined.

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Recd. May 28.

1599

City Hall.

Louisville, May 26, 1879.

Wm. W. Leod, Esq.

Dear Sir: Your  
favor of the 21st inst. has  
been received. I was  
aware of the point in the  
picture. The portrait  
was painted by an artist  
by the name of Johnston  
(then of Cincinnati, now  
of Baltimore), for David  
T. Mansarrah. Those  
who were familiar with  
Gen. Harrison's appear-  
ance, say it is a faith-  
ful likeness, and ~~more~~  
~~than~~ good artists and  
connoisseurs have told  
me that it is an artistic



picture. Artists and con-  
noisseurs, however, like  
doctors, disagree. —  
Doit condemn the pic-  
ture prematurely.

Rusby

Oliver Lucas.

Amos 9/75  
Walter Lee  
North Street  
Birmingham  
England

Walter H. J.

1608

Balt May 28/79

May 29/79

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Catalogue to Mr Morrison.  
His Barge Group the only  
one in existence

Barge selected all the  
Barges in the Borcoran

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Recd  
ack'd May 29

Watts 28<sup>th</sup> May 79

Mr  
Henry MeLeod

I have your  
letter and enclosed list  
for which I am exceedingly  
obliged — I notice you  
have left out of the Roman  
list the duplicates — I  
am right am I not? —

The gentleman  
to whom you refer is Mr  
Morrison — the Provost  
of Peabody Institute.



he is at present absent  
in Europe but will return  
in about 60 days when  
I will present him with  
the Catalogue with  
your compliments —

My Barye's  
Groupe was made for  
the Duke of Orleans,  
and being cast from a  
model in wax — The  
model was destroyed  
so that never but the  
one was made — it

bears ~~an~~ inscription  
stating it was left just  
as it came from the  
mould without chiselling  
or finishing in any way,

no feature of the  
Corcoran is named  
before you very "unique"  
of Barye's — no such  
collection exists — or ever  
can exist now — This  
having been made entirely  
by his own superintensions,  
and as he told me when

I gave him the sum of money  
for his entire collection,  
That he recd it with great  
satisfaction, and espec-  
-ally as it was an offer  
- which never before pres-  
-ented to him - It would  
send him the greatest  
possible pleasure to super-  
-visit with the utmost  
care and attention the pro-  
-duction of every piece,

Yours

W. L. Hallen